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Letter dated 2 July 2004 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1549 (2004) concerning Liberia. In paragraph 1 of the resolution, the Council re-established the Panel of Experts appointed pursuant to paragraph 22 of resolution 1521 (2003) for a period to commence no later than 30 June until 21 December 2004 to undertake the tasks set out in paragraph 1 of resolution 1549 (2004). In paragraph 3 of the same resolution, the Council requested me to appoint, in consultation with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia, no more than five experts with the range of expertise necessary to fulfil the Panel's mandate, contained in paragraph 1 of resolution 1549 (2004).

Accordingly, I wish to inform you that, taking into account the requirements stated in resolution 1549 (2004), including that I draw, as much as possible and as appropriate, on the expertise of the members of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003), I have appointed the following five experts:

1. Arthur Blundell (Canada)
2. Atabou Bodian (Senegal)
3. Damien Callamand (France)
4. Caspar Fithen (United Kingdom)
5. Tommy Garnett (Sierra Leone)

I have also selected Mr. Bodian to chair the Panel of Experts.

I should be grateful if you would bring this information to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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